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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O.: 11652:GDS

TAGS: PORG, OVIP, SF, WA

SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: TRAVEL OF AMBASSADOR MCHENRY

REFS: (A) CAPE TOWN 1017 (B) USUN 2056

1. APPRECIATE INFORMATION AND QUESTIONS REF A. AMBASSADOR MCHENRY AND JIM NACH WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO STAY WITH NELSONS AND ARE PLEASED TO HAVE JAY TAYLOR ON WINDHOEK LEG. ALSO APPRECIATE AVAILABILITY OF SPAR 75.

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2. ITINERARY CONTAINED REF B IS CURRENT AND YOU MAY ADVISE DFA OF THAT. AMBASSADOR MCHENRY WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH BOTHA AND/OR FOURIE (PREFERABLY BOTHA) AT ANY TIME DURING CAPE TOWN VISIT. HE WOULD PREFER AN INFORMAL MEETING --EVEN OVER DINNER. WE WOULD SUGGEST THURSDAY, IF POSSIBLE.

3. WITH REGARD TO MEDIA ARRANGEMENTS, BELIEVE PRESS CONFERENCES IN CAPE TOWN AND WINDHOEK WOULD BE USEFUL AS WELL AS WHATEVER INDIVIDUAL OR SMALL GROUP BACKGROUNDERS YOU WOULD RECOMMEND. A PRIMARY CONCERN IS TO GET AS MUCH MEDIA AND PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY AS POSSIBLE TO DISCUSS CURRENT STATE OF SETTLEMENT EFFORT ON NAMIBIA. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY THOUGHTS YOU HAVE EN WHAT PUBLIC APPEARANCES OR DISCUSSIONS MIGHT BE POSSIBLE ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE AND WITHIN NARROW CONSTRAINTS OF INTERARY. IN WINDHOEK ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT MEETING WITH POLITICAL AND CHURCH LEADERS.

4. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE ADVANTAGEOUS TO ALERT PRESS IN JOHANNESBURG TO AMBASSADOR MCHENRY'S SCHEDULED ARRIVAL; HOWEVER, MCHENRY DOES NOT REPEAT NOT WISH A FULL-SCALE PRESS CONFERENCE DURING JOHANNESBURG STOP-OVER BECAUSE HE DOES NOT WANT REPORT OF HIS VIEWS TO PRECEDE CAPE TOWN FIVE'S MEETING ON WEDNESDAY WITH VORSTER. ANY STATEMENT, THEREFORE WOULD BE BRIEF AND PREPARED.

5. WE ARE ASKING STEVE LOW, WHO IS TRAVELLING WITH KAUNDA, TO SUGGEST DISCREETLY THAT WE BE ADVISED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ABOUT THE DATE OF THE PROPOSED FRONT-LINE SUMMIT. YOUNG
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